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(2) Officers who were not in service on 15th August 1931 will draw the difference between their pay in the old scale on 13th April 1933 and that in the new scale as a personal pay to be absorbed in increments.

Mr. M. S. Sreshta:—" May I know whether the members of Provincial Services will lose considerably in their prospects by reason of the revision of the scales of salary?"

The hon. Mr. H. G. Stokes:—" In the sense that they will not get as much as they used to get."

Mr. M. S. Sreshta:—" Is it proposed to pay any compensation to the members of the Provincial Services for the loss of their prospects?"

The hon. Mr. H. G. Stokes:—" People who will be affected by the reduction will be the new entrants."

Mr. M. S. Sreshta:—" Even with regard to the old entrants when they get promoted they have got to enter on the revised scale?"

The hon. Mr. H. G. Stokes:—" They will have to in some cases."

Mr. M. S. Sreshta:—" In that case will the Government consider the desirability of paying compensation for the loss of prospects of these members of the Provincial Services?"

The hon. Mr. H. G. Stokes:—" No, Sir."

Local Self-Government

Collection of taxes on motor vehicles.

* 82 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) the amount of provincial taxation on motor vehicles collected in each district last year; and

(*b*) the amount of toll compensation paid to each district board last year?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) A statement[a] is laid on the table of the House.

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar:—" In the appendix I find that in the case of Ganjam a compensation of Rs. 51,970 has been paid as against a tax collection of Rs. 58,316 while in the case of Vizagapatam only Rs. 87,500 has been given as against a collection of Rs. 1,48,554. May I know the principle on which this distribution was made?"

The hon. the Raja of Bobbili:—" Sir, the amounts were fixed according to the income each district realized at the time of the passing of the Motor Vehicles Act. I believe that part of the difference is due to the fact that the first column includes amounts paid to municipalities."

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Diwan Bahadur C. S. Ratnasabhapati Mudaliyar :—" May I know if the whole of the tax has been collected or whether there are still any arrears left? "

The hon. the Raja of Bobbili :—" There may be small arrears but I do not think there are any substantial arrears."

Diwan Bahadur C. S. Ratnasabhapati Mudaliyar :—" With regard to item No. 28, were the taxes paid on behalf of the non-gazetted police officers or were they anticipated? "

The hon. the Raja of Bobbili :—" So far as I am aware Government have paid. For details I must ask for notice."

Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan :—" May I know how the hon. Minister accounts for the fact that there are certain districts which get more compensation than the amounts collected in their areas? "

The hon. the Raja of Bobbili :—" I am not aware of the fact. I believe these were fixed taking into consideration the income of each local body at the time of the passing of the Act."

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" May I take it that so far as these amounts are concerned, one and the same uniform principle has been observed in distribution to the local bodies? "

The hon. the Raja of Bobbili :—" There has been no departure, Sir."

Mr. U. C. Subrahmanya Bhatt :—" May I know why only Rs. 35,000 were paid to South Kanara while Rs. 1,77,000 were collected from South Kanara? "

The hon. the Raja of Bobbili :—" As already stated, the amount was in respect of previous averages."

Diwan Bahadur C. S. Ratnasabhapati Mudaliyar :—" May I know if the collection exceeds the compensation paid and why there is the disparity? "

The hon. the Raja of Bobbili :—" Sometimes some amounts are paid to municipalities and some amounts for collection expenses and if there is any balance it will be adjusted next year."

Mr. U. C. Subrahmanya Bhatt :—" May I know why Rs. 35,000 was the amount fixed for South Kanara? "

The hon. the Raja of Bobbili :—" I must ask for notice."

Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan :—" May I ask whether seven lakhs was collected from the City of Madras? "

The hon. the Raja of Bobbili :—" The question asked for information with regard to the district boards only."

Public Health

Provision of a protected water-supply to the Yedapady Panchayat, Salem district.

* 83 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. Nachiyappa Gounder : Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to provide a protected water-supply to the Yedapady Panchayat in the Salem district;